THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S. RAO

WRIT PETITION No.16581 of 2006

18.08.2006

Between:

N. Srinivas and others

..Petitioner

And

The Revenue Divisional Officer, Chevella Division, Ranga Reddy District. and others.

..Respondents

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ORDER:

On an application filed by the third respondent and seven others for issue of pattadar pass books, title deeds and mutation in their favour in respect of the land admeasuring about Acs.40.00 in survey No.78/13, HP village, the Mandal Revenue Officer conducted a detailed enquiry and by proceedings No.B/891/2005, dated 01.12.2005, granted mutation in their favour. It appears, the petitioners, who were allegedly the legal heirs of the shareholders having a stake in land in survey No.78, preferred an appeal before the first respondent, which is pending. It is alleged that though the appeal was filed on 24.06.2005, the first respondent did not pass orders. Therefore, they seek a direction to the first respondent to dispose of the appeal expeditiously.

Learned counsel for the petitioners is absent and there is no representation. None appears for the petitioners. Admittedly, against the proceedings of the Mandal Revenue Officer, dated 01.12.2005, the petitioners preferred an appeal on 24.06.2005, after a lapse of about six months. The appeal was filed under Section 5-B of the Andhra Pradesh Rights in Land and Pattadar Pass Books Act 1971, and therefore, it ought to have been filed within a period of 30 days. This could be one reason why the first respondent did not take up the matter immediately. Be that as it is, now that appeal is filed, the first respondent may consider the same including the question of condoning delay, if there is such application for condonation of delay, and pass appropriate orders within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

The Writ Petition, with the above observation, is accordingly disposed of. No order as to costs.

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(V.V.S.RAO, J)

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